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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 22, 2003

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 22, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the following remarks and amendments.